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Take A Look At This And Shout!

PRESBYTERY	March RECEIPTS	Amt. Per Member	Amt. ahead or behind per member	Standing last Year
Winston-Salem	$ 1,267.21	39c ahead	$1.47¼c ahead	62c
Mecklenburg	$ 3365.62	22½c ahead	15¼c behind	32c
Granville	$ 705.20	14½c ahead	8¾c behind	27½c
Concord	$ 891.32	8¾c ahead	6c behind	19c
Kings Mountain	$ 1,106.23	23c behind	1¼c behind	40¼c
Orange	$ 1,809.73	18c behind	21¾c behind	31c
Albemarle	$ 365.92	10c behind	23½c behind	55½c
Fayetteville	$ 2,246.17	19¼c behind	44¾c behind	63¼c
Wilmington	$ 1,066.25	14c behind	45½c behind	66¼c
SYNOD,	$12,823.65	18.7c behind	1.7c. behind	36.4c

The above is th best that we have published yet. It is even better than the first one several years ago, and there are still some belated returns to come in which we believe will put several more of the Presbyteries in the plus column. At this date last year and even at the end of April when a few delayed contributions had come in, only one Presbytery was in the plus column. Every Presbytery, without a single exception, has made a material gain over this date last year, and we are sure that the total receipts from the Synod will aproach and possibly exceed the amount promised in our budget.

This means a reduction of our deficit, and a continuation of this support from the church will mean that in a short time this deficit will be completely wiped out. If anybody connected with the Orphanage is seen acting foolish, don't accuse them of being tipsy; they are just happy.

Just what would this table have been if it had been the work of twelve months instead of eleven? You remember last April we received less than Six Hundred dollars on the new church year, and that called forth an editorial in the May issue of the Messenger last year that might be worth reading again, because it is not necessary to write an article like that this year.

We just haven't room in this issue of the paper to adequately express our thanks to the church for their response to that editorial. It is gratifying and encouraging. We hope that in the next issue of the Messenger which will have the final total of the year's work, we can have more to say about this.

The total of receipts in this paper is made up through the thirty-first of March. There will be quite a number of churches coming in which will necessitate a revised report in our next issue which will give the sum of the contributions for the year.

——P. O. H.——

THE PUBLICATION OF CONTRIBUTIONS

So many contributions have been received in the last few days of the month that we find that there is not space in this issue to publish them all. They will be in the next issue of the Messenger, as we have to have space reserved for contributions coming in after the first of the month, but applying to the year just closed. If you do not find your contribution listed this month, just watch for it to appear in the May issue.

"Golden Tornado" Sextet Scores Brilliant Record For Season 1928

Wins 17 Out of 19 Games Played—One of the Best Records in the History of the Institutian.

By Alwyn Morrison.

Statesville Daily March 26th.

The Barium Springs "Golden Tornado" Sextet, closed their 1928 basket ball season recently, which is considered the best in the history of the institution. The team under the efficient coaching of Ralph McMillan won seventeen games and met defeat only twice and these by close bargins. Fourteen of these victories were won consecutively. Although not being invited to enter the Iredell County High School Championship race, Barium six has a right to lay claim to the County Championship among girl teams as she won the best two out of three from the fast Troutman High School Sextet, who won the County Championship from the Harmony Six. Other High School teams in the County defeated by the Barium Six were: Mooresvile High, Statesville High twice, Scotts High and Sharon High. In the county games Barium scored 256 points to their opponents 106.

During the 1928 basketball season, The Barium six scored 664 points to their opponents 306. In other words Barium scored a point a minute on the average. Most points, 52, were scored against the Sharon High School Sextet; the least 10, against Troutman High School team. The China Grove High School team scored the greatest number of points against the Barium girls, 31, while the Davidson High School Sextet scored the smallest tally, 9.

In Roderick, Torrence and Freeman Coach McMillan claims the best girls scoring combination ever seen on the ribbed court in this section of the state. Roderick has established what is believed to be a state's individual scoring record during the past season. In 19 games played this season, the team itself has scored 664 points and of this total, Roderick has scored 224 which is almost a third of her team's total score and given her an average of 14 points per game. Now for another comparison, Roderick has also scored 31 more points than her nearest teammate.

Nor is all the glory of scoring to be handed Miss Roderick for her center-forward teammate, Freeman, has scored 194 points in 18 games played in. Torrence, Barium's flashy left forward, scored 134 points in 16 games played in. These records are also splendid ones. These three girls, Roderick, Freeman, and Torrence are not only sensational floor workers. Their passing work and speed is amazing.

In Gufford, Coates, McMillan and Archer on the defensive end of the team, is another assemblage hard to equal in girls courtdom. The low scores compiled by Barium's opponents during the past season is a direct result of the invincibleness of the guard quartet.

The Barium reserves including Jackins, Bolden, Bobbitt, Estridge, Warner, Long, Miller and Whitlow were at all times ready to be rushed into the game. They were almost as good as the first team and will be strong players to build next season's team around.

Season's Record

Barium Springs		Opponents.
48	Mooresville High	6
27	Statesville High	17
44	Scotts High	6
49	Mitchell College	23
47	Taylorsville High	20
52	Sharon High	16
35	Lincolnton High	17
35	Taylorsville High	10
45	Lincolnton High	10
25	Statesville High	10
46	Davidson High	9
17	Davidson High	9
29	Cornelius High	22
50	China Grove High	24
13	Cornelius High	27
56	China Grove High	24
25	Troutman High	16
10	Troutman High	17
25	Troutman High	18
664	Totals	308

Individual Records

Name	Games	Goals	Fouls	Totals.
Roderick	16	106	12	224
Freeman	18	68	58	194
Torrence	16	64	6	134
Bolden	19	27	4	58
Jackins	18	11	10	32
Bobbitt	16	10	1	21
Warner	13	1	0	2
Long	1	0	0	0
Gufford	16	0	0	0
Coates	16	0	0	0
McMillan	19	0	0	0
Archer	18	0	0	0
Estridge	18	0	0	0
Whitlow	4	0	0	0
Miller	4	0	0	0

TRACK STARTED

The following men are out for the team: Brown, Boyette, Bradley, King, Clark, East, Hudson, Pittman, Hunt and Lee.

The schedule is as follows:

March 24 Davidson Invitational meet at Davidson.
March 30, Statesville High at Barium.
April 7, Hickory High at Barium
April 14, Hickory High at Hickory.
April 20, Statesvile High at Statesville.
April 29, Lincolnton High at Barium.
May 4, Lincolnton High at Lincolnton.
May 11, Salisbury High at Barium.
May 18, Salisbury High at Salisbury.

The Special Collection For The Orphanage In April

We have found that grown folks are a good deal like children in one respect, at least. If they do something fine and you brag on them too much, sometimes they get to admiring themselves to such an extent that they forget to do anything else. We are mentioning this for fear that our special collection in April may be forgotten. Last fall at the meeting of Synod, that body realizing that something was very necessary to increase the revenue of the Orphanage, ordered a special collection by all churches some time in April.

The Synod realized that this was not a good time for this collection, since it comes immediately after the more or less hectic wind-up of the church year in March, but they very wisely we think, ordered it never the less. Some churches we feel sure have been disappointed in the size of their special collection Thanksgiving. This will give them an opportunity to make this up. All of the churches realizing the very great strain this institution has been under during the last several years carrying a rather heavy deficit will realize the need of making a big contribution at this time.

We have nothing but praise for the churches for the splendid increase they have made during the last year, but we do not want them to even spend one month in admiration of themselves for this, but to put this behind them except as an inspiration, and see to it that their special contributions this month is worthwhile.

Barium Springs looks to you in confidence and renewed hope.

——P. O. H.——

JENNY GILMER COTTAGE

Many things of interest have happened in the last few weeks but we have been occupied in other things and failed to take any special note of them since we are most always busy in school or some form of athletics.

Basket ball season has closed and we can easily claim the championship of about three counties. The team played eighteen games and won sixteen of them.

Spring seems to be here at last and track practice is under way. We entered the Davidson Invitational meet but didn't hit up with much luck as we only scored one and a half points. Well if you look around you can always see someone that is worse off than yourself. In this case one or two schools who entered were not as fortunate as we. We are expecting to win more of our meets this year as we have a few experienced men although most of us are just rookies. We have meets with Statesville, Salisbury, Hickory, Concord and a few others.

We have had a tough time in school for the last few weeks as the days are bright, warm and sunny and it takes a lot of will-power about a fellow to make him study when Mother Nature calls so strongly. Well it won't be long until the pest called school will cease to be a nuisance as we only have about eleven more weeks of it.

The farmers are still working on the new addition and seem to be making a very good headway towards clearing it up for pasture lands and also more for agriculture.

We have had interesting talks by different men on the future farming prospects of North Carolina in connection with a general study of North Carolina in the class rooms. It is interesting to learn about one's native State as well as helping.

"INCOGNITO."

——P. O. H.——

THANKSGIVING RETURNS

Aux. Charlotte Second	43.00
First Church Concord	100.00
Charlotte Second Church	139.20
Aux. Pearsall Mem.	10.00
Aux. McKinnon	1.00
2nd. Church Charlotte	8.90
Belmont Church	275.00
TOTAL, - - - -	$577.10

MRS. F. P. HALL

For the first time in over eight years, death has removed one of the members of the Board of Regents in active service. This time it was Mrs. Frank P. Hall, of Belmont, who had just begun her first term as a member of the Board of Regents from Kings Mountain Presbytery.

Although Mrs. Hall was new on the Board of Regents, she was not new in Orphanage work, and her work as Presbyterial Secretary and as Synodical Secretary has meant much in years past for the good of this Institution. In her unselfish devotion she accomplished much and she will long be missed as one of the forces that made for right progress here.

As evidence of the universal love and esteem in which she was held, we are printing herewith extracts from various resolutions, and editorials.

Gastonia Gazette:

"Gaston county has lost one of its most notable women in the death of Mrs. F. P. Hall, of Belmont.

"Coming to Gaston county some years ago from a distant and dissimilar section of North Carolina, she quickly and easily became part and parcel of this community. In the mammoth tasks that faced her husband in his work as head of the county schools, she was always found fighting shoulder to shoulder with him. She has been an able and faithful helpmeet to the cause of education.

"Particularly has this been true in the case of musical education. There are literally hundreds of men and women, old middle-aged and young in Gaston county, especially in Union, Lowell, McAdenville, South Point and Belmont, and in other sections of the county whither they have moved, who learned music under Mrs. Hall. For years she taught piano in Belmont, she also taught in Gastonia.

"She was an almost indispensable part of the social, religious and community life of Belmont. Before her health gave way, there was no such thing as trying to get up any sort of musical program in church or school, unless Mrs. Hall was at the head of it.

"She has spent untold hours of arduous, life-giving toil in rehearsals, practices, etc.., in cold school auditoriums, churches etc.

"For years she was the organist and choir director of the Presbyterian Church in Belmont, and it might be said, she wore her life away at the piano and organ, for long before a worn out heart and waning strength forced her to quit her active duties, she was on the job three and four times a week in all kinds of weather, when every tissue in her body were calling for rest.

"To Prof. Hall and the only son, Frank, the sympathy of the entire community is extended in this their dark hour of grief."

Lowell:

"Much sorrow was felt in Lowell at the death of Mrs. F. P. Hall of Belmont. There was no woman in Gaston county who took more interest in good works than did Mrs. Hall, or in historical matters. We miss her sad ly.

"There is one great monument to her memory. The Womans' Building at Barium Springs, the Presbyterian Orphanage. This is called the Lottie Walker Building. Mrs. Hall went there and owing to her untiring efforts, she got the Presbyterian women to build this new building, as the conditions before were deplorable.

"This is only one of her good works."

Belmont:

In the lamentable death of Mrs. F. P. Hall, the community has lost in many ways. Not only is it a great loss to her home and her church, but she will be greatly missed as a friend, neighbor and citizen.

As a friend and a neighbor, she was kind, thoughtful, unselfish and considerate of the welfare of others. She was never too engrossed in her own personal affairs to lend her aid on any occasion that might arise, and her daily life was characterized by the desire to be of service to others.

In the civic life of the community, the death of Mrs. Hall leaves a place that will be hard to fill. Not only was she active in welfare work and the relief of the needy and suffering, but she was constantly working for the best interests of her community along with the lines of schools, government, club work and anything that would help improve the civic life of her town.

As a citizen, she always stood steadfastly for what was right and her devotion to her duty was ever unfailing. As an illustration of this phase of the character of Mrs.Hall is found in her attitude on the question of women voting. Before the Woman suffrage Amendment was passed, Mrs. Hall was not in favor of women having any part in politics, but once it became a law, Mrs. Hall entered wholeheartly into the work of seeing that the women used for polls for the proper causes and what seemed best for the community.

The worth of Mrs. Hall to her community cannot be measured in any one service, for she made her life count in manifold ways and the extent of her good works cannot be estimated.

In speaking of Mrs. Hall's place in our community it is impossible to confine it to any special line of work, for her interests were as varied as the community needs.

We often find one with untiring devotion to the community they grow up in, but Mrs. Hall came among us as a young school teacher, a stranger to all. At once our interests became her interests. Many of the matrons of the surrounding country today owe their educational advantages to her, for she generously opened her home to them and gave them opportunities that they would not have had otherwise.

The longer she lived among us, the farther her work extended. Every life she came in touch with felt drawn to her as the natural leader. Her influence was always extended for the highest and best in community building.

Wherever there was a need found she was always ready and anxious to aid. She often spoke of a peculiar debt that she felt we owed the negro, and she tried in every way to uplift them. She visited their sick, clothed their naked and fed their hungry.

Speaking strictly of her work in the Presbyterian Church, we think of the years she faithfully served as organist and choir director, and again of her Bible Class, for which she devoted many hours to faithful Bible study and preparation. Our Church has lost a most valuable teacher, whose example and instructions will be sorely missed in all the days to come. From this Bible Class radiated much of Mrs. Hall's community work.

Tribute To Mrs. F. P. Hall

In the passing of Mrs. F. P. Hall we all realize that our chapter has lost one of its most choice spirits. Her time, strength, means, and high intellectual attainments she gave to us freely and without reserve. Her beautiful home with its priceless heirlooms and lavish hospitality was ever open to us.

Coming from the noblest and best ancestry in the land, she showed it in her face, bearing and in every word and act. Rarely is it given to one person to possess so many remarkable and lovable characteristics.

Mrs. Hall was outstanding in her mental abilit., keen and sure in her judgments, fearless and bold in her stand for the right, dignified yet unassuming, loyal and lovable, commanding the respect of those whose opinions differed from hers.

In her untiring and self-forgetful service for others, she set each one of us a fine example. One of the places in which she will be sadly missed is in the charity organizations of her town. Nothing that could bring comfort and ease to the poor and sick, whether white or colored, was ever too much for her to undertake.

In her church she was faithful and untiring. Having much to give, her place will be hard to fill. Her gift as a Bible teacher and her musical ability she gladly contributed.

In her loyalty and courageous devotion to a cause or to a friend she stands alone. Fearless and bold and forgetful of self, she quickly took her stand and with her sure dignity and christian spirit she was ever an undefeatable champion for the right.

Today we think of her as one having ten talents and using them all in her service to God and to her fellowmen. Having much to give she gave lavishly.

Of her devotion to her home and family and to her friends I cannot speak, but it is an open book to us all. It is with a great deal of pride that I can say "She was my friend ever wise, loving, brave, and true.

In her home, her church, her town, her county, and in the State this Godly woman was a power for good. May her memory inspire us to carry on, that her passing may not cause any faltering in the good works in which she has had so large a part.

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R.L. BROWN

There are some people that grow old and spend the twilight of life watching other people carry on. There are other people that seem to never grow old, and it is only when their time comes for laying down their work that we realize that they have passed a good many mile stones in life's journey. In this latter class belongs Mr. R. L. Brown, for many years the Superintendent of Oxford Masonic Orphanage. Mr. Brown was sixty-five years old, but in activity and enthusiasm and in everything except mature judgement, he could easily have passed for a man of forty. It was in his ripe experience and settled judgement only, that he showed the result of his years of experience. On Monday, March the twelfth, the whole state was shocked to hear of the sudden death of this splendid man. It will take years for us to fully realize what he has meant to the Institution over which he so ably presided and to the work of orphanages and like institutions everywhere. He had the vision to see, the courage to undertake and the ability to carry through many things that have since become good practice, but until he took the lead, had never been attempted. He lead the way in so many things that his loss is felt, not only by the Masonic Fraternity, but by all organizations interested in child welfare.

He has held, with honor and distinction, every position of honor that could be conferred by the several Associations of Orphanage Heads to which he belonged. He has been a regular attendant at all meetings, and his enthusiasm and good sense has helped to elevate and encourage the work of these several Associations. Barium Springs Orphanage together with all other orphanages in the state mourn his passing and feel that we have indeed lost a leader and friend.

——P. O. H.——

WINTER ATHLETICS

It may be thought that after football season in the fall is over that King Winter takes command of the outdoors, that all athletics are suspended for the year. A visit to Barium Springs, however, will disabuse anyone of this idea. We do all take a rest from the close of football season until after Christmas holidays. Then there is a bigger variety of things doing than at any other time of the year. There is indoor wrestling and boxing for the boys. All the setting up exercise and calesthenics that this requires, and above all, there is basketball for the girls.

In a great many places this basketball for girls plays a kind of second fiddle to the boys basketball. It has been our policy to give this sport entirely to the girls in the past, and would no doubt continue this policy were it possible to make a satisfactory schedule. We will no doubt have to put on basketball for the boys in order to get a schedule that will entertain our fast girl team. However, for this year, we only had the girl basketball team and it was the smoothest performing aggregation that has developed—certainly in this part of the country. They have played a series of twenty games with only two defeats and the two defeats were against teams that they had previously beaten by a big margin. They can easily claim the Championship of Rowan, Iredell and Lincoln counties; and if the teams had played they would no doubt have just as readily have taken the Championship of Mecklenburg and Catawba, but somehow it never did suit for the teams of these counties to arrange a date with us.

Among the games that we played, there were many good teams. The Statesville High, at the beginning of their season, was especially good. Our first game with Lincolnton was good. China Grove and Cornelius were also well above the average, but for hard playing and tight competition we do not believe that any of the games compared with the three finals with Troutman High.

Although Troutman had previously been beaten by teams that we had defeated, we believe that the team that we went against at the tail end of the season was the best that we have ever met. We played them on Friday, March the ninth, at Barium, defeating them 25 to 16. On Tuesday, March the thirteenth, we played them at Troutman, losing 17 to 10. The final game was played in Statesville Friday, March the sixteenth, in which Barium was victorious 25 to 18.

Troutman has in Miss Leila Wineoff—Jumping Center—the best player we have ever seen on a girls' team. She is not only a magnificent player that never lets up, but is a thorough sportsman and clean player from start to finish. We have seen her snatch victory from almost certain defeat, and we have seen her lose a hard fought game. In both instances, she rang true. A team with just a few of her calibre on it would be unbeatable. We consider her certainly 50 per cent of Troutman's strength. We congratulate our neighbors on producing such a team and on having a player with such outstanding qualities, as a citizen.

As for Barium Springs' team we cannot give them too great praise. They have gone through the season with consistent, hard, steady work, not only in the games but the practice. There has been a minimum of discipline necessary to keep them in line and they have conducted themselves, not only in their playing, but in their general conduct, as true ladies. We are proud to claim them and to have them represent us. Our Red White and Blue forward trio and our fast bunch of little guards certainly did put all they had into every game, and that is why we end the season with practically a perfect record.

There is only one Senior on our team and she is mighty little, but we are going to miss her in every game of basketball that we play.

LOTTIE WALKER
Second Floor

If you read Lorena Clark's description of "A Day at Barium" I think you will understand how little time we have left after a day's work for writing for the "Messenger."

But lest you forget us I shall take time to tell you we are all well, and steady on our jobs.

We are finishing up a week of tests in school. And are anxiously awaiting the announcement of grades.

Quite a number of our girls went to Troutman Tuesday night (March 13th) to see the basketball game between our team and Troutman. We lost to Troutman but have the satisfaction of having won when they played us here. The tie is to be played off tonight (March 16th) in the Statesville court and we are hoping to win. We do have a mighty fine team and if they play as good a game as they usually do we are sure to win.

We had a thunder storm last night and that means spring is here with Summer not far away which brings with it closing of school, vacation, and visits to home folks. How we long for that time to come.

——P. O. H.——

BABY COTTAGE

We are all well at the Baby Cottage and are enjoying the beautiful spring days. It makes us feel that winter is over and spring is really coming when we see people so busy working in their yards and flower gardens.

We hope to have some pretty flowers that we can enjoy and share with our friends this summer.

We have all of our family to-gether now except little Sallie Boyd Farmer. She is still keeping the nurses company at the Infirmary.

We invite any one who wishes to come to hear Jack and Tom our twin babies sing "Three Blind Mice."

We have had some visitors this month Mrs Miller was here to see her children. After she left R. C. ran into the house and said, "Pleas Norman, do you have any horses at your house?"

Pleas, a little excited, said, "Why sure boy! and we keep them in the garage."

We have all enjoyed the basketball games this year.

LOTTIE WALKER
First Floor

Why is it so hard to get up news for the "Messenger"? Must be because we pass the news around so during the day among ourselves, we don't think we have anything to be printed. You would be surprised how everybody wants a paper.

Basketball season is over and we feel that a part of the fun is gone. The girls played nineteen games and only lost two. The girls who carried on the work while the team was practicing always felt they were well paid when they got to see a good game.

We are afraid this cold weather is going to injure the flowers. Everyone had begun working in his garden.

Miss Turner was all smiles yesterday. She had one of her friends to visit her. Miss Hanna spent the week end in Gastonia. Miss Green entertained her music pupils Saturday night. They all report a nice time.

The Home boys from Davidson College pay us a visit occasionally. Every one is glad to se them.

Our chickens are doing fine. We have been averaging about two dozen eggs a day for some time. There is just as much profit to us in $ .25 eggs as $ .50 eggs as we eat ours.

——P. O. H.——

ANNIE LOUISE COTTAGE

We are all so glad that the cold weather is almost over and then we can be free to play out of doors with out freezing.

We have lots of fun playing baseball every evening. We ought to be mighty good players when we get through.

We have a big number of our girls reciting the catechism this week and are expecting to receive their testaments.

We are very lucky not to have any of our girls at the Infirmary now.

Zora Lee had a visit from Mrs. Robinson and Mrs.Finley from Wilkesboro this week.

We have a good one on Pauline Cable and Zora Lee. Thursday evening Zora asked Pauline who invented wireless telegraphy and Pauline said, "Marconi invented Thomas A. Edison," when she meant to say that he invented wireless telegraphy.

Every evening about two o'clock Miss Hannah takes all of us to walk and we have lots of fun catching craw-fish.

PAULINE CABLE

LIVING A SCHOOL YEAR AT BARIUM

(By ELIZABETH CABLE and LOUISE SQUIRES)

A new year at Barium really begins when school opens, about the third of September. All the children are anxious to see the new teachers, who have come in and are also enthusiastic over returning to their studies. The High Shool students go in the morning and those in the Grammar Grades go in the afternoon. The first month of school passes with a rush, but when the novelty of studying wears off, well we begin having Saturday evenings at the school building for punishment. Nevertheless, when Mr. Johnston comes down and gives us a talk in chapel—we have chapel twice a month and usually have an interesting speech from an "outsider"—we realize that it would be best for us to acquire a new interest.

"All work and no play would make us dull kids," but the "big boss" renders this impossible by giving us sports for entertainment. Since the first term is broken with only two holidays (Hallowe'en and Thanksgiving) we look to football more than anything else for our fun. We have a splendid team and they have never disappointed us. The football season closes about the middle of December.

We also have "movies" every week all through the year.

Christmas holidays begin about the twentieth of the month and of course, no questions need to be asked about what kind of a time we have then. The good eats which we have at this time excel even those we get at Thanksgiving. This is a favored time for various entertainments, especially that of the Jennie Gilmer House Warming, which is held annually on New Years night.

Returning to school in January, we have two weeks grace to prepare for our mid-term exams, and we sure make hay while the sun shines.

After loafing during the holidays, it is extremely hard to get back to work. The Laundry girls are astounded over the amount of dirty clothes that have accumulated while they were having a good time, but being of an industrnous nature, they are soon back on their old routine. The Sewing Room girls finish making the final winter clothing boxes immediately after the holidays and are always anxious to begin on the new spring clothes. The Kitchen Group is one group at Barium that never gets a rest. So we know that when the work groups are changed, which is about every three months, the girls are very glad to give up their places to some one else. The dairy, farm and campus groups all do their part wonderfully in holding down their end of the business.

Sports again come into the limelight with basketball, boxing and wrestling are additional features at the games in our gym. After these sports are over, track and spring football begin. This brings us to the big parade of new clothes for Easter.

Our institution life is centered around the church. The children up here are constantly under the right influence. Our babies' ages range from two to six years and even the youngest of them attend Sunday School. From the cradle roll we go to the Primary Department,and from there we enter the Junior and Intermediate classes. The church service is conducted by Rev. W. C. Brown. We have a Junior, Intermediate and Senior Christian Endeavor, which meet every Sunday night. Mrs. J. B. Johnston's Mission Band of girls holds a monthly meeting and also the Woman's Auxilary.

As spring comes on the music pupils usually give a number of recitals and the Domestic Science Department entertains the workers and high school students with various receptions and teas.

After recovering from our "spring fever" we get all excited over Commencement. Following the Baccalaureate sermon, class day exercises, and graduating night, the Seniors and some of the other members of our large family leave. This is probably the saddest time of the year for us, because there is a chance that we may never see them again. Thus ends the school year, which is about ten month.

LEES' COTTAGE

Everybody's well at Lees' and having a good time practising foot-ball and a lot of our boys have gone out. We will soon start track work too and practise every afternoon between five and six o'clock. Carr Bradley is our "star" track man. We will have a football game Saturday between 'Yale and Princeton,' our boys' teams.

The girls have a good basket ball team. They had two games with Troutman. Troutman beat on their court and Barium beat here Friday. They will play at Statesville to decide which has the best team.

One morning we were digging up the pipes in front of Lees cottage when we came to a deep one and one of the boys said, "Let's break it," and Fred Edwards said, "You'd better not, it might sprout roots."

We thank Mrs J.B. Johnston for the magazines. We enjoy reading them and studying the pictures. Some of us are getting the habit of reading lots and we appreciate the library also.

We think the sunset is beautiful. John Muir wrote a tribute to the sun "The departing sun, like Christ to His disciples, says to every precious beast, to every pine and weed, to to every stream and mountain,"My peace I give unto you."

——P. O. H.——

RUMPLE HALL

Since writing the news for the last paper we had some real spring weather and we just had to get out in our flower beds and do a little planting any-ways. Mr Cavin has promised to cut down a tree which is a hindrance to one of our beds, because of the roots. Mr. Privette has enriched our beds so we are hoping to have real pretty flowers this summer.

Alberta Wadsworth had a nice time with her daddy last Saturday; one of her uncles too, which she had not seen in a long time.

Gladys Cartrett was the only one of us that got to sit at the birthday dinner for March.

We are studying hard getting ready for our tests, so please excuse us until next time.

Margaret Brooks asked Miss Overman to get her an Ambulance one day when she went to Statesville. When Miss Overman asked her what she meant and what it was for Margaret said "it was to put her Kodak pictures in".

Again Laura Lane McKee brought Miss Overman a drink of water in a cup and said "she had paralized the cup real good."

"The Dish Washers"

SYNOD COTTAGE

We are having lots of fun these days. We play marbles, football, fly kites and skate.

Irwin Jackins is coaching us in football. He says we play "rotten" but it takes practice to make good football players, so we are hoping to improve as the days go by.

Billy Martin found a pleasant surprise awaiting him when he came home from school yesterday. His mother was here.

We have two new girls to help do the cleaning and mending in our cottage. They are Dorothy Colvin and Lucille Long.

——P. O. H.——

HOWARD COTTAGE

We have started to plant our flower beds. We all wish that summer would hurry up and come because we want to see our flowers bloom. Miss Woods is giving a prize to the one who does their work best.

We are going to play basketball with Troutman tonight at Statesville and we hope that our girls win.

We had five girls out of our Cottage to go to the March birthday dinner.

Mr. Morrison visited his sister, Mrs. Grier, Saturday, and Saturday afternoon he came over and taught us how to play skyball.

We have enjoyed playing it everyday since and we hope he will come again soon and play with us some more.

The grass on our campus is getting green and we like to see the little lambs nibble at it.

IRENE SHANNON.

——P. O. H.——

ALEXANDER *and* DAIRY

Well folks, here were are again. Hoping everybody is feeling fine.

Everybody down here is catching squirrels. We caught five squirrels and one o'possum in one day. It won't be long til school is out and that will be the happiest time of the year.

We have bought thirteen more cows that have to be milked and we hate to do that. We are milking about thirty-eight cows now.

We haven't anybody at the Infirmary now from Alexander. We are feeling fine and the cows said they were too.

We hope everybody enjoyed the game between the "Skeeterbites" Saturday morning. We haven't much news this time as nothing of importance has happened around here.

STEWARDSHIP PAGE

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2. For the North Carolina Worker's Home at Montreat; All Churches, Auxiliaries, Sunday Schools, Y. P. Societies and other organizations to take SPECIAL OFFERING the FOURTH SABBATH in FEBRUARY, or some other convenient date, for support of the Home, and forward same at once to Mr. W. H. Belk, Treasurer, Charlotte, N. C.

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The cheapest, littlest and most stupid thing in the world is to find fault.—Ex.

It is good to forgive;
But best to forget.
—Robt. Browning.

He who sows courtesy reaps friendship and he who plants kindness gathers love.—Basil.

LOOK AHEAD

Plan for each tomorrow, then carry out every plan in detail. Let no petty failure prevent another preparation for another day. "Success lies not in the achieving, but in the aim."

Today is but a preparation for tomorrow, and all the morrows which follow. Each day's plans well executed add another stone in the mighty wall which fortifies a strong character.

Build for today, and through today for the morrow, and so, for eternity! —Fine Yarns.

BETWEEN OURSELVES

AS REPRODUCED FROM OUR EXCHANGES.

BE THANKFUL

When you can try with all your might
To make the problem come out right,
And fail, and try again—
When you can fall and feel the smart
Of bruised flesh and wounded heart,
And rise and run again—
When you can speak with fair intent
And hear it was a lie you meant,
And still speak true again—
When you can smile in midst of fears
Which force all weaker souls to tears,
And bravely smile again—
Then you may truely thankful be,
Strong in brave humility.
Stand, and give thanks again!
—E. H. Chandler.

When thy heart with joy o'er flowing
Sings a thankful prayer,
In thy joy, oh let thy brother
With thee share.

If thy soul with power uplifted
Yearns for glorious deed,
Give thy strength to help thy brother
In his need.

Share with him thy bread of blessing,
Sorrow's burden share;
When thy heart enfolds a brother,
God is there

--Theodore Chickering Williams.

AN "IF" FOR GIRLS

If you can dress to make yourself attractive
Yet not make puffs and curls your chief delight;
If you can swim, and row, be strong and active,
But of the gentler graces lose not sight;
If you can dance without a craze for dancing,
Play without giving play too strong a hold,
Enjoy the love of friends without romancing,
Care for the weak, the friendless and the old,
If you can master English and Spanish and Latin,
And not acquire, as well, a priggish mein;
If you can feel the touch of silk and satin
Without despising calico and jean;
If you can play a saw and hammer,
Can do a man's work when need occurs,
Can sing when asked, without excuse or stammer,
Can rise above unfriendly snubs and slurs,
If you can make good bread as well as fudges,
Can sew with skill and have an eye for dust;
If you can be a friend and hold no grudges,
A girl whom all will love because they must;
If sometime you should meet and love another
And make a home with faith and peace enshrined,
And you its soul—a loyal wife and mother,
You'll work out pretty developed through the ages,
And win the best that life can have in store;
You'll be, my girl, a model for the sages,
A woman whom the world will bow before.

—The Deaf Carolinian

——P. O. H.——

A BOY'S PRAYER

Give me clean hands, clean words, and thoughts;
Help me to stand for the hard right against the easy wrong:
Save me from habits that harm;
Teach me to work as hard and play as fair in Thy sight alone as if all the world saw;
Forgive me when I am unkind, and help me to forgive those who are unkind to me;
Keep me ready to help others at some cost to myself;
Send me chances to do a little good every day, and to grow more like Christ.
I ask this for Jesus' sake. Amen

A MESSAGE TO MEN

I am a nuisance;
I am unkempt, dirty and careless;
I am an expense, an affliction, a brother;
I am troublesome, slow-witted and ignorant;
In fact I'm a pest;

But—

I am the one who must carry on after you are gone;
I am the one who must finish the work you have begun;
I shall sit in your legislatures, on your court benches, yes, even move into the White House;
I am destined to run your schools, your prisons, your professions, your business;
I shall control your cities, your banks, your farms;
I shall sit exactly where you are sitting;
I shall do just what you are doing;
I am the future of your country;
I am the hope of civilization;
I am A Boy!
Isn't it worth while then to pay me some attention?—to work with me and play with me?—to sympathize with me and pray with me?
Remember—I'm only a Boy!

—Harold R. Davis.

CAMPUS & FARM

Hello folks! I haven't much to say this time, so I will say it in a hurry. For the last week it has rained and our main job has been shucking corn: we have about finished the crib, too. Right after the rain, came a freeze and I think it got most of the apples, but the pears and peaches weren't hurt much. The alfalfa was hurt some, but not so bad.

The new Spring-house has just been completed and it is just what the dairy has been needing for some time and now they have it.

The new-ground is about finished with, and our job now, when it isn't raining, is digging post-holes and putting up fence and tearing down old shabby ones.

Mr. Collins was putting in posts the other day and Mr. Cavin came around to inspect them. He shook the post and it almost came up. He turned around to Mr. Collins and asked him if he put it in. Mr. Collins hesitated a moment and then said, "It wasn't me Mr. Cavin it was 'Apple Jack'" (meaning A. J. Potter).

Well the trees are getting leaves on them and it will soon be corn planting time and after that hoeing, which all the boys like so well. (?) (?)

Track has been started for a pretty good while and we haven't won but one meet. This only seems to give the members of the track squad encouragement to redouble their efforts. Our next meet is with Statesville The beat us last time, but look out this time.

Abner and Eb were working together the other day and Ab began singing. Eb looked over at him disgustedly and said "Ab, can you carry a tune?" Ab looked around and replied, "Sho, listen," and began singing again. Finally Eb said, "Well, why don't you carry it down to the creek and throw it in."

Well these fine spring days gives one the Spring-fever and that doesn't write news. So long until next time.

THE GANG.

——P. O. H.——

INFIRMARY

We have had so few patients and part of the time not any that we are thinking of hunting up some.

We had a very happy Easter, we got old 'Pet' and went to ride in the dairy wagon. After we got back it was raining so that we coulden't have our easter egg hunt out doors so Mrs. Purdy hid the eggs in thehouse.

Mis Moore had a short visit from one of her friends Mr. Gleen Davidson. Bleeker Lee one of our old home girls spent Easter with us also. We certainly did enjoy having her and hope she will come again soon.

We were surprised to see Mrs. Karriker (Miss Brown) who came to see us to-day. We were all glad to see her and are hoping she will come to see us again soon.

We are all enjoying the track meets that we are having now. Although we do not win in every meet we are proud of our boys.

We surely do appreciate Mrs. Harrison going to walk with us and also the other matrons who take us.

The other day when Mrs. Purdy hid the eggs, Sally Boyd Farmer told Mrs. Purdy to "lose" some more eggs so she could find them.

The Infirmary Girls.

DO YOUR WORK WELL

A great deal of the joy of life consists in doing perfectly, or at least to the best of one's ability, every thing which he attempts to do. There is a sense of satisfaction, a pride in surveying such a work—a work which is ounrded, full, exact, complete in all its parts—which the superficial man, who leaves his work in a slovenly, slipshod, half-finished condition, can never know. It is this conscientious com plete ness which turns work into art. The smallest thing, well done, becomes artistic. — William Matthews, Fine Yarns.

EXCHANGES *and* Wheezes

"So he is inherently dishonest?"
"Well, they say he was born with a silver spoon in his mouth, but it had a hotel name on it!"

Boy: "Can a person be punished for something he hasn't done?"
Teacher: "Of course not."
Boy: "Well, I haven't done my geometry."

Doctor: "Has there ever been any insanity in your family?"
Modern Wife: "Well, my husband thinks he's boss."

"Dearest, I must marry you—"
"Have you seen father and mother?"
"Often, darling; but I love you just the same."

Teacher: "Willie, what is an embassy?"
Willie: "A place where trans-Atlantic fliers change their clothes."

Lady: "I want a nice book for an invalid."
Librarian: "Yes, madam. Something religious?"
Lady: "Er—no—not now. He is convalescent."

A pupil told to use the word "nitrates" in a sentence wrote: "Night rates are cheaper than day rates."

Molly (weary of sermon in very audible whisper): "Mummy, if the church caught fire would he stop then?"

"Don't you want to hire a feller to keep the tramps away, Mrs. Stubs?" asked the small boy.
"How can a little fellow like you keep the tramps away?" demanded Mrs. Stubs.
"Easy enough." replied the boy. "I can eat up all the pie and cake and things wots left over."

A Scotchman whose name was McIntosh, and who was proud of the fact that he was directly descended from the chief of the clan, was having a dispute over the fare he owed a taxi driver.
The man with the meter talked loud and harshly, and it angered the Highlander.
"Do you know who I am?" he demanded, proudly drawing himself up to his full height. "I'm a McIntosh."
The taxi driver snorted.
"I don't care if you're an umbrella," he said. "'I have my rights."

A little fellow was learning from his aunt about Grant, Lee and other famous leaders of the Civil War. "Is that the same Grant we pray to in church? he inquired innocently. "Pray to in church? You are mistaken dear," said the aunt. "No, I'm not," he insisted, "for during services we always say: 'Grant we beseech thee to hear us.'"

Percival came running to his grandma one day asking for a drink of water. "Quick, quick, grandma," he said, "give me a drink of water!"
After he had gotten his drink he said: "The reason I was in such a hurry, I thought I swallowed a worm while eating a apple, and I wanted to drown it."

"Eliza," said a friend of the family to the old negro washer-woman, "have you seen Miss Edith's fiance?" Eliza pondered for a moment, then bent over the laundry tubs once more. "No ma'am," she said, "it ain't been in the wash yet."

Sport for golfers.—The small white golf ball rolled over the green and was promptly seized by Fido, the old lady's pet terrier.
The next moment a golfer came over the crest of the hill and began waving his arms and shouting.
"Put it down. Fido," exclaimed the old lady; "here comes the gentleman to knock it for you again."—Watchman Examiner.

COAL

(By Charles Shaffer, Sixth Grade)

Coal is a black substance that is easy to burn and when it is burning it gives off a large amount of heat. It is formed by the decaying of trees and leaves which has lain under the ground for centuries. This vegetation turns into peat which is used as coal in some parts of Ireland. Then it turns to lignite which is nearly coal. Then the coal is found. The amount of Carbon in coal determines whether or not it is hard or soft. That which contains from 80 to 90 per cent carbon is very hard and gives off a very great amount of heat. This is called hard coal. That which contains about 60 or 70 per cent carbon gives off a less amount of heat. This is called soft coal.

In the time of Washington very little coal was used. But today every person can say that his part of the world's yearly production of coal is nearly a ton and a half. The modern invention has made the use of coal much more needful. Very few of the world's industries do without coal.

Coal is mostly used for firing boilers When a person mentions coal, the thought of using it only as a heating product comes to our minds. But there are many other things gotten from coal. Many chemicals, dye, and other different useful things to the people of today are derived from coal. The deadly T. N. T. is produced from coal.

The United States has more coal fields than any other country. Pennsyvania and Colorado contain much hard coal. Soft coal is found in Pennyslvania, West Virginia, Alabama, Michigan, Ohio and many of the Western States.

Coal is also found in Canada, France, Great Britain, Russia and some fields have been undeveloped in China.

At the present rate of consumption the coal of the world is estimated to be able to last for thousands of years. But the increase of industries will mean the increase of the usage. But the people of this age need not worry.

——P. O. H.——

Ten Commandments of Success

(By Chas. S. Schwab)

1. Work hard. Hard work is the best investment a man can make.
2. Study hard. Knowledge enables a man to work more intelligently and effectively.
3. Have initiative. Ruts often deepen into graves.
4. Love your work. Then you will find pleasure in mastering it.
5. Be exact. Slipshod methods bring only slipshod results.
6. Have the American spirit of conquest. Thus you can successfully battle with and overcome difficulties.
7. Cultivate personality. Personality is to a man what perfume is to a flower.
8. Help and share with others. The real test of business greatness lies in giving opportunities to others.
9. Be democratic. Unless you feel right toward your fellow men, you can never be a successful leader of men.
10. In all things do your best. The man who has done his best has done everything. The man who has done less than his best has done nothing.

——P. O. H.——

The right Idea.—Johnny, when asked by his teacher to define "deficit", said:
"A deficit is what you've got when nothing."— Watchman Examiner.

——P. O. H.——

Tourist (taking a deep breath on the observation car platform): "Isn't this air exhilarating?"
Porter: "No sah, this air Jacksonville."

——P. O. H.——

Smacked of Home.

(From the Montreal Family Herald)
Helpful Waiter—What about some tongue, sir?
Mr. N. Peck—Had that this morning.
Helpful Waiter—Well then, how about some cold shoulder, sir?
Mr. N. Peck—Shall get that tonight!

——P. O. H.——

Bare Facts

Diner: "Waiter, I ask you to bring my salad without the dressing."
Waiter: "Sorry, sir—but we are not permitted to serve lettuce in the nude."—Life.

Some Recent Alumni Happenings

There has been a painful lack of Alumni news appearing in the columns of the Messenger. This doesn't mean that there hasn't been things hapening among the Alumni, but simply they have not been recorded. A good many have been marrying them a new wife or husband—as the case may be—and this has taken so much of their time and attention that they have failed to send in a notice always to the MESSENGER. Of course, everybody remembers about Louise Kelly stepping off some time ago. Now, Marie Edwards has become Mrs. Earl Ward, and Nathan Hill is also a Benedict. We wonder, by the way, if Norman Hill is living in the same town, and if Nathan and Norman look as much alike as they used to? If so, Mrs. Nathan Hill may have difficulty in telling which one is her husband. Judith Bowman, up in the other end of the state, is married to Mr. T. J. Newsom, Johnson City, Tenn.

We have been wondering why there was so much trouble in Nicaragua. We have found out the reason; Bowden Holland and Johnnie Parker are with the Marines there. Howard Holland is at Camp Bragg ready to go down as re-inforcements whenever necessary.

Annie Hair is saying "Number, please" in Fayetteville. She is one of the reasons why they have good telephone service there. Kathleen Moore is stenographer and assistant bookkeeper in The Statesville Grocery Company. Rachel Moore is trying to spell "habeas corpus" being a lawer's stenographer in Statesville.

Lest we forget, let us mention the grandson of the Orphanage, Sam Jackins, Jr., a native of Louisiana, by the way. They tell me he has Sam's chin and Margaret's eyes. That combination ought to get him somwhere even if he didn't happen to be born a Tar Heel.

Automobile accidents seem to be increasing in an alarming manner, and there would be more cause for alarm were it not for the fact that there is a Barium nurse most any where you want to go. Leah Hill, Geneva Perry, Martha Boyce and Helen Dezern are all fullfledged nurses. Two of them however, are using their nursing diplomas on perfectly good husbands, and making them like it. Eloise Taylor is well along to her diploma at the Ellen Fitzgerald Hospital at Monroe. Mary Craig, Thelma Shaffer and Leone Caudill are the last crop to start training. They say they are already commencing to sling a mean bandage. The only trouble is that a patient that they nurse doesn't want to get well. Irene McDade will soon be a graduate and school marm. Madeline Hunt already is. There are a whole flock of Barium graduates at Davidson College which may account for the sudden building boom taking place there. Six entering Davidson in one year crowded them a little bit.

Of course, these brief items of news are just a few of the things that are happening around. We would like to devote this whole page to just Alumni News. There is nothing more interesting to us who are still at Barium or to the friends to whom this paper goes. There are quite a few that we haven't heard from lately. We can surmise some things, however, and just imagine that Boone Prestwood must have gone to Chicago which is one of the reasons why that town is in such a constant turmoil.

——P. O. H.——

"I have a terriible rumbling on my stomach. It's like a wagon going over a bridge."

"It's most likely that truck you ate this morning for breakfast."

—Oregon Orange Owl.

APRIL

April is one of the most delightful months of the year in spite of the fact that late frosts and numerous rains hold back the farm work and scare us about the fruit. It is possible to almost see the flowers grow and the winter crops giving promise of an early harvest. April is also the month of meetings and conferences. All the Presbyteries meet this month, and all of the Presbyterials. In addition to that there are conferences galore, and one is kept in hot water as to whether to try to attend these meetings or else stay on the job all the time.

The temptation is to pass up the Conferences and try to keep up with the many things to be done locally during this busy month. This, however, wouldn't do because the change of ideas at these conferences is valuable and without them, one is very apt to get into a rut and to fail to make progress along with all other institutions of its kind at the same time.

To attend all of the Conferences, however, would be almost as bad as attending none of them and it is our constant endeavor to strike a happy medium. Not to be altogether a Conference hound nor a hermit.

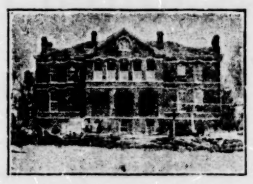
It is always a pleasure to represent the Orphanage at the various Presbyterials and Presbyteries, and whenever their places of meeting and their dates of meeting are such that several can be attended on one trip, it is both pleasant and profitable to attend.

One time, during this April, however, the Manager spoke at two Presbyterials rather far apart in time and place, for a total of forty-five minutes, which necessitated his absence from the Orphanage for five days.

We know the manager pretty well, and candidly we do not think his eloquence worth quite that much.

——P. O. H.——

LEES' COTTAGE



Henry Ward Beecher once said: "Flowers are the sweetest things God ever made and forgot to put a soul in." We agree with him when we behold the beauty of the apple blossoms and wild violets so profuse. Barium Campus is a thing of beauty and a joy forever, and brings to mind the following poem — the author of which is unknown.

The little cares that fretted me
I lost them yesterday,
Among the fields, above the sea,
Among the winds at play;
Among the lowing of the herds,
The rustling of the trees,
Among the singing of the birds,
The humming of the bees.

The foolish fears of what may pass,
I cast them all away
Among the clover-scented grass,
Among the new mown hay;
Among the rustling of the corn,
Where drowsy poppies nod,
Where ill thoughts die and good are born,
Out in the fields with God.

Lees Cottage boys are having a happy time with flying squirrels and rabbits. "Snoot" Walter Archer is easily the best huntsman in the cottage with Clyde Woodard a close second.

We have a good time on the field practicing every afternoon. School will soon be over and we are beginning to talk about vacation. Bobbie Reavis spent Easter at home in Statesville. Mack Walton is our latest addition to Lees. He took Carr Bradley's place. Carr having been transferred to Jennie Gilmer.

We miss Mr. Parks and appreciate his example of faithfulness to a task. We sympathize with one of our teachers, Miss Foust, in the loss of her brother. Miss Foust is also our Librarian and we enjoy the good books which many of us are reading.

Sidney Parish has decided it is rather a bad thing to have a cracked arm. He cracked his jumping. It is almost well now.

This has been a cool Spring, but the peach and apple trees are in bloom and the campus is beautiful. Come and see.

And while we enjoy the glory in the beauty around us and how richly God has blessed us let's think of what John Kendrick's Bangs said:

"Some folks on looks take so much pride, they don't think much on what's inside;
Well, as for me, I know my face can never be a thing of grace.
And so I rather think I'll see how I can fix th' inside o' me so folks will say,
"He looks like sin, but ain't he beautiful within?"

HONOR ROLL FOR APRIL

SECOND GRADE
Leila Johnston
Clayborne Jessup
Clarence Link
Ray Norman
Eugene Shannon

FOURTH GRADE
T. L. O'Kelley, Jr.
Miriam Sanders
A. D. Potter
Edward McCall
Cheek Freeman

FIFTH GRADE
Herbert Blue
Morris Freeman
Harry East

SIXTH GRADE
Marian McCall
Lucile Beck
Nancy Cable
Mary Latham West
Mildred Thomas
Boyce Morgan

SEVENTH GRADE
Louise Cavin
Jimmie Johnston
Eula Lee Walton

EIGHTH GRADE
Lorena Clark
Alice Craig

NINTH GRADE
Katherine Kerley
Esther Archer

‡ Through mistake the name of Miriam Sanders was omitted from the Honor Roll last month.

——P. O. H.——

MERIT ROLL FOR APRIL

Second Grade—Melvin Ayers, Sarah Forte, Frances Lowrance, Norman Lee Potter, Joe Savage, Lugene White, Willard Dry, David Spencer.

Third Grade—Nina Bobbitt, Fred Elliot, Irene Forte, Jesse Harris, Billie Martin, Ralph Spencer, Joe White, Rhoda Jones, Eva Sluder.

Fourth Grade—George Savage, Irene Shannon, Joy Stone, David Roberts, Edward Pennell, Margaret Moore Fay Marlow, Ben Morrow, Laura Lane McKee, Basil Kelley, Charles Gallyon, Willard Greeson, Gladys Cartret, Ernest Clark, David Beaver, Annie Lou McKee.

Fifth Grade—Leonard Forte, Myrtle Johnson, Lillian Wicker, Lois Motte, Edward Oliver.

Sixth Grade—Helen Dry, Virginia Edwards, Walter Archer, Jarrell Norman, Pearl Boston.

Seventh Grade—Ruth Bobbitt, Robert Blue, Edwin Chapman, Herman Clark, Forrest Lee Hunt, Lucile Long, Nettie Miller, Ruth Morris, Mildred Morrow, Rutn Morrow.

Special Primary—Hugh McCrimmon, Frank Cornette, Troy Harris, George Siskron, Fred Lowrance, Texie Johnson, Lee Donaldson, Fred Boyd, Northie McArtan.

Special Elementary—Pearl Beaver.

Eighth Grade—George Ayers, Avis Archer, Ruth Spencer, Marguerite Todd.

Ninth Grade—Rachel Dowless, Mary Mark, Nellie Mark, Edna McMillan, Fannie Whitlow.

Eleventh Grade—Hilda Bernardo, Dennis Boyette, Louise Gufford.

Highest Grade in Public School Music

Morning Classes: Second Grade.
Afternoon Classes: Seventh Grade.

——P. O. H.——

RECORD of DEATHS

Twice during the past month has Death visited our community. Several weeks ago, Mr. and Mrs. Stimpson who live on the Orphanage land and work for the Orphanage, lost their little six months old baby. Her death was very sudden and we all sympathize with this worthy family in their loss.

Again, on the fifth of April we were distressed. Mr. W. B. Parks passed away after a week's illness. Mr. Parks was the oldest member of our congregation, having been an Elder of Little Joe's Church for at least twenty-five years. Mr. Parks handled the Barium Springs water and was loved and admired by a whole community. He was buried in the little cemetery at the Orphanage.

The number attending his funeral testified to the universal love in which he was held. There were over fifty cars of people representing not only people of this immediate section, but from all parts of the state.

——P. O. H.——

LOTTIE WALKER FIRST FLOOR

Hello Friends, here we are again. After so long a time the tennis season has come around and thats our chief sport. If you should happen around some afternoon during the leisure you would undoubtedly agree with the writer. Everyone wants to play at once and this cannot be arranged so very easily.

Miss Moseley entertained the basketball team with a delightful tea.

A good many of the girls spent Easter at home. Everyone reported a very excellent time.

Miss Reese was delighted over a weekend visit of a friend from Dublin, Georgia.

Laundry - Sewing Room

The Spring weather makes us want to stay in the open, but we manage to stick to our work pretty well. Last month we put out 570 pieces. We have all the prettiest scenery around our place, and when we get tired taking stitches we take a stand at one of our windows. Sometimes very frightful ones, for instance the sheep were crossoing the railroad one day and we most had mutton for supper. Odessa said," she believed she could eat the whole flock cause the spring had brought her a brand new appetite. Musta been a brand new capacity!

We are awfully sorry to say that Hilda (Fatty) Bernado has to make a new wardrobe because of the extra (50) lbs.

The other day Miss Clark caught Geneva in the scraps bag, and demanding the cause, got the answer! "well I'm going to Mitchell this fall and thought I could use all the scraps I could find."

Sara Coates has finally decided to be a blond, so if you notice any white hairs appearing among her raven locks do not credit to her old age or worrying over that "Certain Doctor".

We girls had an awful blow the other Sunday when Walter Fraley came up from Davidson College only to learn that he had forgotten us all. If Davidson makes one forget like Walter (and he is only a freshie) we hope now that the other boys will venture down. There must be something else "inadequate" in his line. Louise said she believed she'd go to Davidson and forget all her troubles.

We are all looking forward to the Junior play which will come off May 4th. Since Edith is the movie shiek we know there's going to be some excitement.

Well, the reporters of this epistle are all in, so,

Bon jour.

ALEXANDER and DAIRY

We are here again! My, but it seems like a short time since we attempted this last month!

Everybody at Alexander is feeling fine and enjoying these snappy, cool spring days with such tnings as pole-vaulting and high jumping, and a little bit of everything these days.

"It won't be long" until the old swimming pool will be open and ready to receive us.

Our mule, "Pet," was over in the woods hauling leaves, and when the time came to haul the milk to the spring-house "Pet" was still hauling leaves, and we didn't have any one to carry the milk to the spring-house. So Ralpn Spencer went and let the bull out to pull it up there.

We all hope to have lots of fruit this year if the frost don't kill it. All the trees are blooming and makes everything pretty about the campus.

We are still milking about thirty-eight cows now. Our cows said to tell everyone hello! Well, we will apologize to you reader, as this covers our news for this time, and we are just a little short of adventures for the time.

GRAHAM LONG.

W. C.: "Know where you can get a good chicken dinner for 15 cents."

Harold: "Where?"

W. C.: "At any good feed store."

——P. O. H.——

Daddy Not in Style

As a reward for being an especially good boy, little four year old Reynolds was allowed to peep at Mother after she was dressed for a partty. He stood and eyed her solemnly, then said: "Is daddy going to undress, too"

"We've Always Been Provided For"

"Good wife, what are you singing for? You know we've lost the hay,
And what we'll do with horse and kye is more than I can say;
While like as not, with storm and rain, we'll lose both corn and wheat."
She looked up with a pleasant face, and answered low and sweet:
"There is a Heart, there is a Hand, we feel, but can not see;
We've always been provided for, and we shall always be."

He turned around with a sudden gloom. She said: "Love, be at rest;
You cut the grass, worked soon and late, you did your very best;
That was your work, and you've naught at all to do with wind and rain;
And do not doubt but you will reap rich fields of golden grain;
For there's a Heart, and there's a Hand, we feel, but can not see;
We've always been provided for, and we shall always be."

"That's like a woman's reasoning—we must, because we must."
She softly said: "I reason not; I only work and trust;
The harvest may redeem the day—keep heart what'er betide;
When one door shuts, I've always seen another open wide.
There is a Heart, there is a Hand, we feel, but can not see;
We've always been provided for, and we shall always be."

He kissed the calm and trustful face; gone was his restless pain;
She heard him with a cheerful step go whistling down the lane,
And went about her household tasks full of a glad content,
Singing to time her busy hands as to and fro she went:
"There is a Heart, there is a Hand, we feel, but can not see;
We've always been provided for, and we shall always be."

Days come and go—'twas Christmas tide, and the great fire burned clear,
The farmer said: "Dear wife, it's been a good and happy year;
The fruit was gain, the surplus corn has bought the hay, you know."
She lifted up her smiling face, and said: "I told you so!
For there's a Heart, and there's a Hand, we feel, but can not see;
We've always been provided for, and we shall always be."

—The Presbyterian Outlook.

A Friend's Greetings

(Edgar A. Guest in Blue Ridge Breeze)

"I'd like to be the sort of friend that you have been to me;
I'd like to be what you've always been glad to be;
I'd like to mean as much to you each minute in the day;
As you have meant, old friend of mine, to me along the way."
"I'd like to do the big things and the splendid things for you,
To brush the gray from your skies and leave them only blue;
I'd like to say the kindly things that so often I have heard,
And feel that I could rouse your soul the way that mine you've stirred.
"I'd like to give you back the joy that you have given me,
Yet that were wishing you a need I hope will never be;
I'd like to make you feel as rich as I, who travel on
Undaunted in the darkest hours with you to lean upon."

Only a word of command, but it loses or wins the field:
Only a stroke of the pen, but a heart is broken or healed;
Only a step may sever, pole-wide, future and past
Only a touch may rivet links which for life shall last.

—Selected.

STEWARDSHIP PAGE

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NEGLECTED SPECIALS

I. A SPECIAL OFFERING FOR THE

Presbyterian Standard

Which should have been made in November. Very few Churches have responded to the call of Synod but it is not too late. See that YOUR Church contributes to this Church Paper AT ONCE and forward the offering promptly to PRESBYTERIAN STANDARD, Charlotte, N. C.

II. A SPECIAL OFFERING FOR THE

Barium Springs Orphanage

April Has Passed But If Your Church Has Not Remitted A SPECIAL Contribution To Our Fatherless Ones During That Month, DO IT NOW! It Is Needed And The Cause Is Most Worthy.

SYNOD'S STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE,

E. E. Gillespie, Secretary.

SUPPORT FUND

OLD YEAR
(Continued from last month)

Church of Covenant	230.22
Aux. Calypso	4.00
Providence	5.00
Marion S. S.	7.00
Union Mills S. S.	1.75
Highland Church	55.84
Greenville Aux.	18.02
Sunnyside Church	9.75
Lumberton Church	69.79
Lowell Church	15.00
Aux. Thyatira	1.00
Front St. S. S.	6.59
Pri. Dept. Gastonia First S.S.	7.00
Olney Church	11.00
Olney Aux.	15.00
Clarkton Church	15.00
Maxton 1st. Church	63.35
Centre Church	3.00
Centre Aux.	2.00
Bethel S. S.	25.00
Culdee Church	20.00
Albemarle S. S.	227.74
Aux. Raeford	29.67
Mocksville S. S.	6.66
Holly Grove Church	7.72
Rockfish Church	29.00
Stanford Church	.37
Aux. Calypso	3.00
Aux. Harmony	1.47
Aux. Willard	1.88
Faison Church	18.00
Hopewell S. S.	5.62
Shiloh S. S.	10.10
Blacknall Mem. Church	6.45
Geneva Church	14.22
Goshen Church	.38
Grassy Creek Church	5.63
Hebron Church	.44
Aux. Henderson	7.50
Kenly Church	.86
Aux. Littleton	.38
Nut Bush Church	4.41
Oak Hill Church	.75
Oxford Church	30.00
Raleigh 1st. Church	63.00
Smithfield Church	26.51
Warrenton Church	26.25
Youngs Mem. Church	.38
Shiloh Church	24.00
Y. P. Dept. Charlotte 2nd	10.00
Tenth Ave. Church	187.50
Tenth Ave. Aux.	60.00
Tenth Ave. Jr. C. E.	10.00
Belmont Church	264.00
Brittain Church	7.00
Covenant Church	4.50
Cramerton Church	3.75
Dallas Church	22.91
Duncan's Creek Church	2.23
Aux. Cramerton	4.28
Aux. Long Creek	4.00
Long Creek Church	4.00
New Hope Church	2.74
Rutherfordton Church	9.14
Saluda Church	4.42
Union Church	9.07
Aux. Mt. Holly	10.62
Charlotte 1st. Church	25.00
Newell S. S.	10.22
Boys' Club, Charlotte 2nd	8.90
New Hope S. S.	5.25
Vass Church	19.19
Laurinburg Church	500.00
Shelby Church	29.43
L. M. S. Concord, Iredell	17.32
Lincolnton 1st. Church	119.45
Ironton Church	5.00
Churchh of Covenant	16.88
Ladies Bible Class, Dunn	6.29
Aux. Bolton	3.00
St. Paul's S. S.	30.00
St. Paul's Y. P. Society	3.70
Aux. Parkton	14.00
Aux. Wadesboro	20.00
Bethel Church	10.00
Eureka Church	5.00
Aux. Bethpage	5.00
Vass S. S.	10.42
Aux. Turner	1.00
Caldwell Mem. Church	121.31
Wilmington First Church	355.00
Wilmington First Aux.	30.00
St. Andrews Church	85.00
South Fayetteville Church	2.00
Red Springs Church	39.60
Acme Church	30.00
Charlotte First Church	800.00
Dunn First Church	101.00
Lincolnton First Church	5.00
Raeford Church	35.52
Glade Valley Church	3.75
Mocksville Church	17.33
Aux. Mt. Airy	3.75
Aux. N. Winston	13.00
N. Wilkesboro Church	15.14
Aux. Winston-Salem First	92.00
Aux. Wilkesboro	3.00
Dekotah Church	3.00
Dan River Church	.82
S. S. N. Wilkesboro	37.92
Aux. West Jefferson	3.07
Aux. Lansing	.75
Hills Church	.59
Carson Mem. Church	.28
Alamance Church	44.57
Bethel Church	9.33
Bethesda Church	3.97
Aux. Bethesda	1.80
Broadway Church	10.28
Church of Covenant	200.00
E. Burlington Church	.77
Eno Church	1.90
Greenwood Church	1.64
Aux. Church of Covenant	89.50
Greensboro First Church	190.94
Hillsboro Church	16.00
Bethelehem Church	2.63
Buffalo (G) Y. P.	7.50
Buffalo (L) Aux.	.45
Aux. Church-By-Side-Road	9.05
Cross Roads Church	18.45
Cumnock Church	8.93
Efland Church	1.95
Euphronia Church	1.20
Fairfield Church	.45
Fairfield Aux.	1.00
Graham Church	27.80
Jonesboro Church	1.00
Aux. Leaksville	2.50
Little River Church	1.00
Mebane Church	33.62
Aux. Mebane	8.55
Milton Church	6.81
Mt. Vernon Church	2.00
N. Eno Church	1.90
Piedmont Church	1.27
Red House Church	4.00
Riverview Church	1.95
Reidsville Church	68.00
Aux. Sanford	44.00
Speedwell Church	.29
Springwood Church	13.64
Stony Creek Church	11.25
Westminster Church	58.37
Bessemer Aux.	10.00
Bessemer Church	1.67
Yanceyville Church	.24
Aux. Gulf	11.95
Gulf Church	19.95
Graham Church	55.80
Buffalo (G) Church	22.50
Aux. Buffalo (G)	39.00
Leaksville Church	7.92
Aux. Spencer	45.00
Sanford Church	22.25
Clinton Church	20.00
Spies S. S.	.50
TOTAL	$ 12,823.65

Mallard Creek S. S.	12.00
Steele Creek Church	81.00
Steele Creek Aux.	11.00
Mrs Choate' s S. S. Class Steele Creek	3.00
W. P. Chedster, Mecklenburg Presbytery	10.00
Albemarle Church	45.00
Alton Church	4.50
Amity Church	39.00
Badin Church	6.00
Banks Church	12.50
Central Steele Creek Church	65.00
Cooks Mem. Church	7.00
Hopewell Church	8.85
Lee Park Church	2.50
Mallard Creek Church	55.00
Marston Church	3.00
Morven Church	10.00
Mulberry Church	17.00
Paw Creek Church	85.42
Pee Dee Church	5.60
Pegram St. (Plaza) Church	11.25
Philadephia Church	72.53
Pineville Church	16.00
Pleasant Hill Church	45.00
Porter Church	1.00
Seversville Church	125.50
Sharon Church	52.00
St. Pauls Church	60.00
Sugaw Creek Church	92.45
Thomasboro Church	9.75
Turners Church	3.75
Walkersville Church	5.92
Waxhaw Church	9.50
West Avenue Church	84.81
Williams Mem. Church	45.00
Buffalo (G) S. S.	16.75
McKinnon Church	91.20
Lumberton S. S.	12.69
Jr. C. E. Mt. Gilead	5.00
Rocky Mt. 1st Church	75.58
Aux. Morven	5.00
Jr. C. E. Morven	3.00
Fayetteville 1st Church	244.00
Rex Church	7.00
Aux. Pinehurst	5.00
Aux. Gastonia 1st	12.00
Fountain Church	30.00
Statesville 1st Church	108.59
Antioch Church	6.00
Spence Chapel	2.50
Lakeview Church	4.64
Madison Church	6.00
A Lenoir Church Friend	20.00
West End S. S.	6.27
Buffolo (L) S. S.	39.33
Back Creek Church	17.56
Bayless Mem. Church	3.22
Bethany Church	3.98
Betesda Church	14.55
Bethpage Church	11.52
Cleveland Church	7.50
Clio Church	5.47
Concord 2nd Church	23.21
Davidson Church	60.00
Elmwood Church	6.00
Franklin Church	3.03
Gilwood Church	18.13
Harmony Church	7.50
Hickory Church	106. 60
Kannapolis Church	39.81
Morresville 1st Church	128.14
Morganton 1st Church	15.00
New Salem Church	5.10
Newton Church	79.50
Popular Tent Church	1.50
Prospect Church	15.10
Quaker Meadows Church	3.75
Rocky River Church	23.70
Salisbury Church	136.27
Salisbury 2nd church	9.69
Sheaarer church	2.48
Shiloh Church	2.58
Spencer Church	30.00
Taylorsville Church	7.50
Third Creek Church	15.43
Thyatira Church	16.45
Unity Church	14.42
Brotherhood Bible Class Salisbury 1st. Church	25.00
Jonesboro S. S.	7.85
Union S. S.	12.98
Lexington S. S.	19.35
Aux. Westminister	12.00
Godwin S. S.	6.10
Rocky River S. S.	21.25
Monroe Church	130.00
Myers Park Church	71.25
Aux. Myers Park	76.75
Rutherfordton S. S.	7.20
Philadelphia S. S.	16.44
Providence Church	14.14
Albermarle Presbyterial Aux	134.50
Fairview Church	2.00
Geneva Church	1.35
Littleton Church	.88
Oakland Church	.75
Henderson 1st. Church	18.75
Oak Hill Church	6.00
Aux. Wilmington	1.25
C. E. Wallace Jr.	2.00
Iona S. S.	4.72
Hope Mills Church	4.50
Salisbury S. S. 1st.	150.00
Gastonia 1st Church	362.00
Wallace S. S.	76.00
Washington 1st. S. S.	25.00
Wilson S. S.	22.62
Bethesda Church	33.85
Mt. Holly Church	24.34
Union Mills Church	3.63
Cradle Roll Dept., Charlotte 2nd.	2.21
Union Church	15.60
Sanford S. S.	14.51
Rockingham S. S.	6.50
Jackson Springs S. S.	11.83
Harrisburg S. S.	46.31
Centre Church	7.66
Davidson Church	203.55
Fifth Creek Church	9.07
Front St. Church	8.25
Harmony Church	5.63
Mooresville 1st. Church	50.18
Harrisburg Church	8.50
Poplar Tent Church	3.25
Sevier Church	2.07
Tabor Church	1.74
Winston-Salem Presbyterial	49.15
Aux. Currie	2.00
Ashboro Church	20.85
Bethany Church	2.36
Burlington Church	37.50
Cross Roads Church	5.63
Graham 1st. Church	43.50
Greenwood S. S.	1.35
Griers Church	3.00
Hawfields Church	8.82
Hillsboro Church	9.50
Jonesboro Church	7.18
Mebane Church	1.12
Piedmont Church	.17
Pittsboro Church	4.35
Pleasant Garden Church	1.35
Pocket Church	1.58
Sanford Church	19.00
Shiloh Church	1.75
Smyrna Church	.67
Speedwell Church	3.15
White Hill Church	3.75
Unity S. S.	7.00
Aux. Amity Church	11.00
Aux. West End	2.00
Black River Church	2.15
Calypso Church	.85
Jacksonville Church	12.10
Jacksonville Aux.	.75
Topsoil Church	4.61
Warsaw Church	27.75
Wildwood Church	9.00
Winter Park Church	8.32
Winter Park Aux.	19.00
Chinquapin Church	1.20
Teachey's Aux.	.15
Smithfield Church	70.00
Morganton 1st. S. S.	65.00
Aux. Caldwell Member	62.45
Glade Valley Church	3.30
Jefferson Church	.27
Mt. Airy Church	15.00
Ebenezer Church	1.65
Obids Church	4.88
Peak Creek Church	3.49
Ephesus Church	10.00
Bensalem Church	7.00
W. W. Class, Raleigh 1st.	5.00
Aux. Westminster Charlotte	10.00
TOTAL, - - -	$ 4,935.43

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ANNIE LOUISE COTTAGE

Spring is here at last, but we haven't had but about four days that really look like spring. It happens that to-day is one of the four.

Several of our girls are looking forward to the birthday dinner tomorrow.

Every-body is busy planting flowers.

Margaret Cooke had a visit from her friends last week.

We are a lucky crowd for none of our girls are at the infirmary.

Everybody is glad that school is nearly out. We get our report cards this week and you know what that means, just two more times to get them.

We thank Mr. Gould for the tooth paste, paper dolls and scissors he gave to us last week.

Last week as the girls were getting up a squirrel was found under Pauline Cable's quilt. It's funny how it got there, for nobody knows where he came from.

News is scarce so we will ring off.

JOY STONE

——P. O. H.——

MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS

Charlotte, McGee Presbyterian Church, one quilt.

Myer's Park Church, 15 books.

——P. O. H.——

A Popular Speaker

"He made an unusually good after-dinner speech."

"What did he say?"

"He said: 'Waiter, give me the check.'"

——P. O. H.——

His Prescripttion.

Fat Lady—"I'm putting on weight, doctor. What should I do?"

Doctor: "Regularly exercise. Push yourself away from the table three times a day."

—Exchange.

SYNOD COTTAGE

After much begging and pleading, we have gotten our shoes off at last. It is rather cool sometimes, but we don't mind that much. We have lots of stubbed toes too. Several of our boys went Easter Egg hunting and others received rabbits, eggs, baskets, etc, from relatives aand friends. We take all our nice things up for Miss Turner to keep in her room. Her window ledge was full of rabbits, eggs, and pretty green paper-like green grass.

Miss Turner spent Easter with her sister near Salisbury. We surely did miss her and were glad when she came back. Miss Taylor, our matron, looked after us while Miss Turner was away.

Folks usually think boys don't know how to sing, that they don't want to sing really. We know how to sing and we like it. Mrs. R. L. Johnson came in to hear us sing one night, and she said we sang "sweet," that we did "fine".

The other day a gentleman came to see us and gave each of us five marbles, and top, and he gave our cottage a pretty canary. The gentleman was Mr. Edwin Gould, of New York, so we named the canary "Eddy Gould". Larry Marlow was coming home from the infirmary and met Miss Taylor on the walk. "Miss Taylor," Larry said, "That man is going to give Annie Louise Cottage a canoe". "A canoe?" asked Miss Taylor. "No, I mean a canary," replied Larry.

We have a good time pole vaulting. We have some saw dust to fall into, but sometimes we get hurt. We run to our matrons and they paint us with iodine and we get well right away.

——P. O. H.——

BABY COTTAGE

What a good time we have had since our last writing. One Sunday morning we went to the big dining room for breakfst — wore our best dresses and pretty bibs and behaved beautifully. We had the program for devotional that A. M. and Miss Hanna played the piano, and we sang several pretty songs. Caroline Garret, (our little polly) sang a solo — just like a real grown up body — and four boys sang a quartette. And our Easter was such a beautiful time. Everyone had a pretty Easter basket, filled with candy eggs, bunnies and chickens — and we've been eating candy (after each meal) every day since.

Ernestine and Polly's mother came a few days before Easter and as we all call her Mamma, (tho she looks like a pretty big girl) her visit was a treat to all. She brought candy and fruit. Then Mrs Coppedge another pretty girl, but Evelyn's mother, came and we enjoyed her visit as much as little Evelyn and Mary Duffy did.

Henry Pittman's mother, Alpha Ellis's mother, Lillion Sander's father and Mary Boyd's father were all here for Easter visits.

Miss Helen Herman spent a few days with us and took some of us for nice rides in her little New Ford Car, and Mr Johnston has had us out in his big car again. On the days it rained "Mr. Jackins" came for us and took us to and from Kindergarden, which was a real picnic each time.

We've been having all kinds of good things to eat and we've all been well for a long time. So, don't you see we have been real happy.

Almost forgot to say Billy Lindsay had a birthday party. His cake had five candles on it and we had lots of fun blowing them out and re-lighting.

We have more new girls, Nancy and Sarah Parcell. They are sweet, good, little girls — seem to like to play with us. We are watching for little seeds to grow out of the ground and make flowers, for lots of seeds have been put in our flower gardens.

——P. O. H.——

Al: "Hey there, fellow! what are you running so fast for?"

Headley: "I'm going to stop a fight."

Al: "Who's fighting?"

Headley: "Just me and another fellow."

——P. O. H.——

Docks of Today.

Profesor (in engineering class) "What is a dry dock?"

Student (in rear) : "A physicain who won't give out subscriptions."

LOTTIE WALKER
Second Floor

Well friends, it seems only a short time since our last Messenger came out, and here it is time for us to write you again!

We all enjoyed the Easter holiday very much. Several of our girls went home to spend Easter and they say they had a fine time.

We Second Floor girls expected to have a truck ride Monday afternoon but it rained and we couldn't go, but we expect to have it as soon as the weather settles.

The track contests have begun and our boys are doing fine.

We have been having lots of April showers and hope that means flowers in May.

School is almost out and we can hardly wait till vacation time comes, which menas visits to home folks.

We are enjoying one half hour after supper, when we ecan play tennis, ball and jump rope.

Since we have nothing new overhere to tell you we will say good bye.

——P. O. H.——

CLOTHING BOXES

Statesville, Front Street Aux., one box.

Greensboro, Ida Wharton Circle, Westminster Church, one box.

Fayettevlile, Intermediate Dept., First Church, one box.

Rosemary, Aux., one box.

Godwin, Aux., one box.

Clayton, Oakwood Aux., two boxes.

Raleigh, First Vanguard Aux., one box.

Salisbury, First Church, Circle 7, one box.

Burlington, Elmira Aux., one box.

Concord, Bayless Memorial Aux. one box.

Rosemary, Young Girls' Circle, one box.

Calypso Aux., one box.

High Point, First Church, Coble Circle, one box.

Charlotte, Caldwell Memorial, Sr. 2 A Class, one box.

Wilmington, Euphian Class, St. Andrews Church, one box.

Concord, Rocky River Aux., one box.

Greensboro, Westminister Business Girls' Circle, one box.

Pinehurst, Aux., one box.

West End, Aux., one box.

Roanoke Rapids, Girls' Circle, one box.

Raeford, S. S. Class, one box.

Charlotte, N. C., Rte. 3, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. McDowell, one box.

China Grove, Thyatira Aux., one box.

Gibsonville, Springwood Aux., one box.

Maxton, First Church, Aux., one box.

Cameron, Sunday School, one box.

Henderson, Aux., one box.

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——P. O. H.——

HOWARD COTTAGE

We are still having cold weather and can not go barefooted. We hope how soon it will get hot so we can go in swimming.

Margaret Pittman and Lillan Wicker had visits from their mothers at Easter. Mr. E. B. Sanders from Raleigh visited his children Easter.

We are so glad they bought some new books for the library. We Howard girls like to read.

We are so sorry that Miss Foust had to be called home on account of the death of her brother at Greensboro.

We enjoyed the track meet with Hickory Saturday.

The birds are beginning to build nests in the trees around our cottage

We have a jaybird, pigeon, robin, and english sparrow nest near the house.

Angelia Fowler got the prize for best cleaning up in the morning group last month. And Catherine Norman in the afternoon group.

We went to visit the pear orchard when they were in bloom. They were very pretty.

We have planted our flower beds, but it has been to cold for the seeds to come up yet.

We can see the apple orchard from our yard. It is in full bloom now.

Mr Gould of the Gould foundation spent one day last week with us and gave us all a tube of Pebeco toothpaste. He had tooth-brushes to give away too, but we all had them at our cottage. We are very gratful to him for this.

MIRIAM SANDERS
IRENE SHANNON

"BASHFUL MR. BOBBS"

Junior Class Play To Be Presented on Campus Evening of May 5th —8:15 P. M.

The most Bashful Man Alive. Did he ever fall in Love? What was the Girl like? Should the sins of the "Flirt" be visited on the "'Bashful?" Is there a perfect cure for either?

All these questions will be amusingly answered for you in the farcical comedy presented by the Junior Class Saturday evening, May 5th, at 8:15 o'clock in the New Auditorium.

If you enjoy good wholesome fun, you should, on no account, miss this play. Your only regret will be that there are not five instead of three acts.

It introduces an excellent comedy rube character in Obadiah Stump, a comical country landlady, a movie actress, her French maid from Paris, Kentucky, and other well contrasted characters.

This play is written especially for high school pupils, and the Juniors promise to show you just how it should be given. Below is a synopsis of the play in cast:

Cast of Characters

Katherine Henderson	Odessa Warner
Frederick Henderson	Clarence Clark
Mrs. Wiggins	Sara Coates
Obadiah Stump	Robt. Pittman
Frances Whitaker	Letha Copeland
Rosalie Otis	Elizabeth Hand
Mr. Robert V. Bobbs	Wm. Hudson
Jean Graham	Edith Johnson
Marston Bobbs	Bill Johnston
Celesta Vanderpool	Elma Roderick
Julie, French Maid	Louise Squires
Property Mam	John Hunt

The Scenes of the Play

Time: Day Before Yesterday.
Place: Any Suburb.

ACT I.—Parlor of a Country Hotel, The Bay View House. Late afternoon in June. A broken engagement. A burglar? in the house.

ACTII.—Same Scene. Nearly night The human butterfly. A fashionable disease. Crossed letters. Explanations, satisfactory and otherwise.

ACT III.—That night. Thieves and bridegrooms. "All's well that ends well." A perfect cure.

——P. O. H.——

DOVE COTE

This is April news—you know—so we had April First "as usual."

Next in order came our holiday April ninth (including the weekend leading thereto.)

Misses Thompson and Moseley visited quaint old Charleston, viewing the magnolia and Middleton gardens. According to their report the azaleas and japonicas were at their zenith and the gardens a bower of beauty.

Misses Harrison and Greene spent the weekend in Asheville as the guests of Miss Greene's sister.

Mrs. Holton and Misses Foust, Hanna, and Marshall spent the weekend with relatives in Winston-Salem, Graham, Red Springs, and Turnersburg, respectively.

Miss Lea held the fort while Miss Baldwin came and went, but remained on the campus. Thus do we account for our Easter peregrination (?).

We also had a visitor on the hall. Miss Ellis, who teaches at Landrum, visited Barium and was jointly entertained by Miss Andrews at Synod's and Miss Baldwin of our floor.

(Now for the interim.) That was a time ago. We are glad to welcome Mrs. Mary T. Moore as a resident of our floor and a new worker on the campus.

April 14th Miss Foust was called away on account of her brother's death. On the 22nd Miss Hanna was called to Gastonia to the funeral of her father's mother. Both of these have our heartfelt sympathy in the time of sorrow. (Signed,)

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

——P. O. H.——

CLOTHING MONEY

Aux. St. Pauls	10.00
Aux. Circle 1, Nut Bush	2.50
Bethesda Church	5.00
Aux. Durham First	6.00
Aux. Lowell Covenant	3.00
Aux. Lincolnton	40.00
Aux. Bethel	2.00
Aux. Chadbourn	22.50
Pleasant Hill Church	3.00
Edna B. Cathy, Oxford, Pa.	25.00
Fidelis Class, Albermarle	2.50
In His Name Circle, King's Daughter	22.50
Aux. Mt. Olive	22.50
Aux. Marion	4.00
Aux. Kinston	3.50
Berean Philathea Class, Mt. Olive	2.50
Aux. Greensboro First	125.00
Aux. Spray	18.50
Aux. Greenville	4.50
Aux. Rocky Mt. First	45.00
Aux. Carthage	22.50
TOTAL	$826.65

——P. O. H.——

SUPPORT FUND
Old Church Year

Second Church Charlotte (Thanksgiving)	25.00
Tarbor Church error corrected printer $1.74 should be	1.72
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Province Church	5.00
Sugaw Creek S. S.	64.17

Lexington S. S. error corrected printed 19.35 should be 19.85.

Total for Old Church Year $5030.08

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The Wind Up Of The Church Year

TABLE OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED IN APRIL BUT APPLYING ON YEAR ENDING MARCH 31st, 1928.

PRESBYTERY	Receipts	Per Member		Final Standing		Last Year	
Winston-Salem	$ 97.59	3c	ahead	$1.50¼c	ahead	73c	
Mecklenburg	$1624.84	10¾c	ahead	26c	behind	15½c	
Concord	$1668.92	16c	ahead	22c	behind	4¾c	
Granville	$ 104.73	2c	ahead	10¾c	behind	26¼c	
Kings Mountain	$ 424.77	8¾c	ahead	7½c	behind	20c	
Albemarle	$ 287.70	8c	behind	15½c	behind	49c	
Orange	$ 273.32	2¾c	behind	19c	behind	19¾c	
Fayetteville	$ 381.08	3¼c	behind	41½c	behind	55½c	
Wilmington	$ 167.13	2¼c	behind	43¼c	behind	52½c	
SYNOD	$5030.08	7c	ahead	5 3-10c	behind	23 6-10c	

You may get tired reading these tables. They do bore you sometimes. They have a way of saying unpleasant things and just being persistent about it too unless something is done about it. On the other hand these figures are most responsive. If you don't believe it, just work up some good contributions in your Church and send these contributions in promptly and watch how quickly the table responds. The table you will find is very sensitive to actual receipts. It is not affected by collections that are held up till a later date, or that are not sent at all. It doesn't record good intentions, or even tears shed for us.

But to prove that when good intentions are converted into good deeds that this table records it we want to talk about this table a little.

It is the best table we have ever published. It shows over half of the Presbyteries in the plus column, and every Presbytery ahead of it's standing last year. The Synod as a whole has passed the $1.50 per member average.

Last year only one Presbytery was ahead and the Synod was so far below that it made the affairs of the Orphanage look gloomy.

These contributions come in more promptly too, there being $5,000.00 received after March 31st, as against nearly $9,000.00 last year.

This record of your help is such a big improvement over last year that we feel like shouting. While the table is by no means perfect it is headed in the right direction, and we sincerely hope it will never slump again. When all nine Presbyteries are in the plus column, then we can shout.

CLOTHING BOXES

Durham, Aux. First Church, one box.

Waxhaw, Aux, one box.

Matthews, Providence Aux., one box.

Townsville, Nutbush Aux., one box.

Wilmington, Church of the Covenant, two boxes.

St. Pauls, Aux., two boxes.

Lowell, Covenant and Lowell Aux., one box.

Huntersville, Bethel Aux., one box.

Mt. Olive, Stanford Aux., one box.

Marion, Aux., one box.

Pineville, Pleasant Hill Aux., one box.

Wilmington, Lucy Chadbourne Circle, ten boxes.

Albermarle, Fidelis Class, one box.

Greenville, Aux., one box.

Kinston Aux, one box.

Mt. Olive, Miss Janie McPhail, one box.

Huntersville Aux, Ramah Church, one box.

MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS

Washington, C. H. Sterling, Fish Dealer, one barrel of fish.

Wade, McMillan Church, Auxiliary, one quilt.

Tri-State Conference

It has been our pleasure to talk to people interested in orphanage work from many different states. It is always a matter of gratifacation to see the pleasure surprise with which their talk of the institutions in North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia. They seem to be on a higher plane at least than the average of the country at large.

We believe that this is in no small measure due to the fact that the heads and staffs of these various institutions in these states have been in the habit of getting together once a year for a conference for the swappin of ideas, comparing mistakes, an successes and altogether working out better plans for the carrying on of their work. This Tri-State Conference, two years ago. met at Barium Sprs. This year the meeting was atMacon, Georgia in the extreme southwestern corner of the Conference; and although most of these attending hod to travel quite a long distance it was one of the largest in the point of attendence, that has ever been.

The Conference convened at noon, Tuesday, April the 24th, with every speaker on hand and with the previously arranged program carried out in every particular exactly as planned.

A good many of these attending that traveled from a distance broke their journey by stopping for a night with the Georgia Baptist Orphanage at Hapeville. Some also broke the return journey by stopping at Thornwell Orphanage at Clinton, South Carolina. A visit to these two institutions,, in addition to the splendid Orphanage at Macon which was host to the conference, the Georgia Methodist Orphanage of the Southern Conference,made the one of profit and pleasure.

——P. O. H.——

SUPPORT FUND

New Church Year

Warrenton S. S.	2.88
Cooleemee S. S.	4.00
Cornelius S. S.	8.00
Fayetteville First Church	23.25
Rutherfordton S. S.	10.98
McPherson Church	22.50
Paw Creek S. S.	17.49
McGee Church	43.20
Marion S. S.	7.00
Union Mills S. S.	1.75
Highland Church	55.84
Bethel S. S.	6.15
Pittsboro S. S.	4.00
Church of Covenant	230.22
Aux. Calypso	4.00
Bethesda S. S.	25.00
Children's Mis. Soc., Gulf	5.00
Aux. Mt. Pisgah	1.00
Roxboro S. S.	23.65
Spencer S. S.	44.96
Flat Bush S. S.	10.00
Mt. Airy 1st Church	29.00
Aux. Durham 1st	12.00
Aux. Lowell Covenant	2.00
Red Springs S. S.	5.00
Cann Memorial S. S.	10.46
McPherson S. S.	6.44
Aux. Bladenboro	2.00
S. S. Concord 1st	98.66
Long Creek S. S.	1.97
Ashpole S. S.	3.41
Aux. Mebane	16.00
Salisbury 1st Church	100.00
Jr. C. E. Spencer	4.00
Aux. Antioch	2.25
Sr. C. E. Spencer	4.00
Circle 2, Charlotte 2nd Special	2.00
Relief Circle, King's Daughters, Salisbury 1st	25.00
Rock Branch S. S.	7.75
Laurel Hill S. S.	11.64
Vass S. S. Regular	9.57
Vass S. S. Special	11.68
Front St. S. S.	8.61
W'S Bible Class, Salisbury 1st	10.00
Aux. Back Creek	1.00
Jennie K. Hill's Bible Class, Rocky Mount 1st	5.00
Aux. Bethphage	4.00
Manly S. S.	2.85
Goldsboro S. S.	46.05
Albemarle Presbyterial Aux.	33.35
Elmwood S. S.	1.94
Young Men's Bible Class, Salisbury 1st	21.25
Men's Bible Class, Westminster	14.14
Circles 1, 2, 3, Aux. Glenwood	3.00
Thyatira S. S.	6.71
Morven S. S.	6.56
Mizpah S. S.	2.00
Montpelier S. S.	9.27
Sanford S. S.	14.23
Aux. Rocky Mount	19.00
Ashwood Church	.08
Mt. Zion Church	2.25
Wesminster Church	9.75
Aux. Westminster	8.25
Mt. Williams Church	7.77
Circle 1, Albemarle Aux.	10.60
Hopewell S. S.	4.50
Children's Missionary Society, McPherson	4.00
Aux. West Raleigh	4.00
Aux. Grove	1.00
Total New Year	1176.26

JENNY GILMER COTTAGE

We thought spring was here last month but the sudden weather changes made us inclined to think that Miss Spring had postponed her arrival until a later date. Frosts have appeared frequently and there has been no end to April showers. We are glad to note the latter as we believe in the old rhyme, "April showers bring May flowers." Well all we can do is to sit back and wait for the latter part of the phrase to be fulfilled.

"It won't be long now", is the cry over the campus as the end of school draws nigh. It is next to impossible for a fellow to study during the last few weeks of school because the callings of Mother Nature are so strong. Well, as I said we have only about six more weeks till Commencement and you'll sure hear more about this day when it comes. Commencement is the happiest and yet one of the saddest times of the year you would spend at Barium because when school is out, everyone enjoys their freedom just fine; then after the graduation exercises are over, we lose many of our number. Only one from our dormitory is leaving this year and if nothing happens we will have the pleasure of his presence for another year as he is planning to take a post-graduate course. Here's wishing the ones who start life outside, "the best o'luck."

Everyone's reading instinct was aroused the other day when the library received about one hundred and fifty new books.

We owe our thanks to the Paramount-Famous Players-Lasky Corporation for an excellent picture featuring Wallace Berry in "Casey at the Bat."

The ninth, tenth and eleventh grade boys enjoyed lunch at the Goodfellows Club in Charolotte on the 18th of April.

Rev. R. L. Tate of Statesville gave us a very interesting sermon last Sunday on "The King's Highway." We enjoyed his sermon and nope he will be a steady visitor at Barium. Rev. W. C. Brown our own pastor preached the Baccalaurate sermon at the Glade Valley High School last Sunday.

Mr. Johnston is absent from the campus at present, being at an Orphanage Conference. He is in Georgia with most of his family.

The rains of April have, in a way, held up the work on the farm, but Mr. Cavin has kept the farm boys busy building a shed to the large barn.

Our track team received a licking from Statesville and Hickory but succeeded in taking one away from Concord. We hope we have some luck against Lincolnton next Friday.

——P. O. H.——

CAMPUS NEWS

Local Items Of Interest That Fill Up A Day

With an abundance of rain and the lawns sowed in grass. Barium campus aspires to become beautiful.

Visitors are becoming more numerous as warm weather approaches. Prominent among these recently was Edwin Gould, of the Edwin Gould Foundation. New York City.

The manager, Mr. Jos. B. Johnston, and Rev. W. C. Brown, pastor of Little Joe's Church, spent the week of April 23-27 in Macon, Ga. attending the Tri-State Orphanage Conference.

Mrs R.L. Johnson, teacher in the primary department of the school, was called to the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Long, at Rutherfordton last week.

A stump puller from the MacDonald farm is seeing service around Barium campus at the present time.

Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Brown, and Mrs. Juliette Ghigo attended the commencement exercises at Glade Valley School the 21st and 22nd.

Mr. Brown delivered the Baccalaureate sermon at Glade Valley the 22nd.

Rev. F. P. Tate of Statesville supplied Little Joe's Church in Mr. Brown's absence.

MISCELLANEOUS SUPPORT

Mrs. A. P. Tharpe, Rocky Mt.	10.00
Isadore Wallace, Statesville, In lieu flowers, D. M. Ausley	5.00
Mrs. J. H. Hoffman, Statesville, In lieu flowers, D. M. Ausley	2.50
David J. Craig, Statesville, In lieu flowers, D. M. Ausley and Mrs. Nola Sherrill Carpenter	15.00
Mrs. J. C. Neely, Pleasant Garden	5.00
David J. Craig, Statesville, In lieu flowers, J. K. Morrison	5.00
Total	$374.33